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Copa Aruba champions Macabi team of Brazil



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Ring in the 10th anniversary Aruba College Fair



I declare this college fair officially open

Yesterday at 10:00 a.m., former Minister of Education, Mary Wever-Lacle, rang the school bell to formally open the 10th anniversary Aruba College Fair, which continues at the Renaissance Convention Center through today.

Mary founded the Aruba College Fair Foundation during her tenure as minister, and has continued to work tirelessly with the organizing committee as fundraising officer to see this biannual event to assist island youngsters in furthering their education has been a success. The committee consists of President/Secretary: Muzaninn Wever, Treasurer: Myra de Mey, P/R: Susan Bareno and Promotions: Lisette Gomez.

This year, they welcome six establishments who have been with the fair since the first one

opened its doors, plus a few new educational institutions. Representatives of over 30 colleges and universities from the U.S., Canada, South and Central America and Holland are on duty to inform potential students in every aspect of what they need to apply and qualify for admission.

"We are proud we can continue to present Aruban youth with the information they need and the possibilities available to them regarding advancing their education and so career opportunities and preparedness," Mrs. Wever-Lacle informed the gathering of island dignitaries on hand for the opening ceremony, including Aruba's current Minister of Justice and Education, Arthur Dowers.

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MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY: LIVE MUSIC

'Black box' recorders recovered in Cuban air crash

HAVANA, Cuba (AFP) - Searchers on Friday recovered the "black box" voice and data recorders of a Cuban airliner that crashed in central Cuba, killing all 68 people aboard, officials said.

"The black box and the voice recorder of the crashed plane ... were found, so the investigation that is underway will have the basic elements to work with," Rolando Diaz, a prosecutor told local media.

The Aerocaribbean airliner crashed Thursday on a domestic flight from Santiago to Havana after the pilot reported an emergency.

Emergency crews hacked through tropical brush in central Cuba Friday to reach the site of the island's worst plane crash in two decades in which all 68 people on board were killed -- 28 of them foreigners.

Police used a bulldozer to

clear vegetation from the debris of the domestic Aerocaribbean aircraft, which crashed in the mountainous Sancti Spiritus region Thursday after the pilot reported an emergency.

The first rescuers to get to the crash site overnight found the wreckage burning.

"We saw flames from the area when we were struggling through because there was no path. We saw pieces of the plane thrown quite some distance," said a soldier, Hermes Cecilio Ramirez.

A fireman said most of the bodies had been found charred from the flames.

The plane, a twin turbo-propeller ATR-72-212 built by French-Italian manufacturer Avions de Transport Regional, was heading to Havana after departing the eastern city of Santiago de Cuba.

It had taken off in dangerous weather conditions.

Tomas, then a tropical storm that later strengthened to

a hurricane, had already begun to drench eastern Cuba with rain and a warning was issued to aircraft in Santiago de Cuba province before the plane took off.

It's picnic time! Quota's Fundraising is this Sunday!

Quota International of Aruba announces that this year their fundraiser will be in a different style. On November 7, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. they will have a picnic, where all the ladies can wear carson piscado (Capri pants) and a wide hat and the gentlemen can wear Bermuda shorts with a polo shirt or a Guayabera. Thus the picnic will be in a relaxed ambiance.

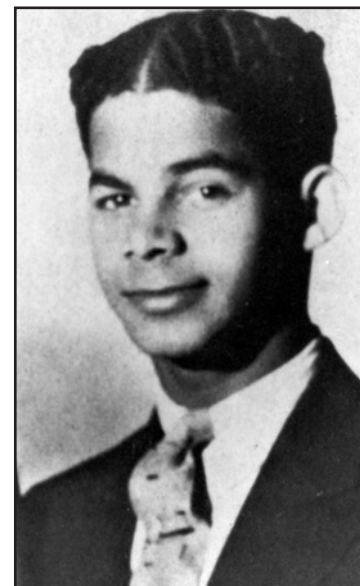
There will be a delicious local dish for lunch, and the entertainment will be by the Rincon Boyzz and Tsunami, who will delight every one present with their tunes.

There will be many attractive door prizes, among others, a roundtrip ticket - courtesy of Tiara Air to any one of their destinations, hotel weekend stays, and restaurant dinners for two, gift certificates and cellular phones.

There will also be a silent auction, with art pieces from well-known artists such as Grace Ashruf, Harold Bronswinkel, Efraim Britten, Yahaira Croes and Osyth Henriquez.

As usual the proceeds of the fundraiser will go back to the community through different organizations that is working with, among others, the hearing impaired and women and children with difficulty, and other awareness projects and programs.

Come and see "Boy Ecury Exposition today at A.N.A.



Today the A.N.A. (Aruba National Archive) is organising a exposition in honor of Aruba's war hero "Boy" Ecury. "Boy went to the Netherlands

to study as a young boy and found himself in the midst of World War II when Holland was attacked by Germany. Boy knows as someone who could never tolerate injustice joined the Dutch resistance group. On November 5th, leaving a church he was captured and killed on Saturday November 6th 1944.

This is ANA organised this exposition. They will be presenting a documentary of Boy and there will also be a slideshow.

The public can also view the names of the "Hero di Guera Ecury" committee and read an article prepared by this group.

So, everyone is invited between 1 - 5 p.m. to go and see the Boy Ecury exposition at ANA.

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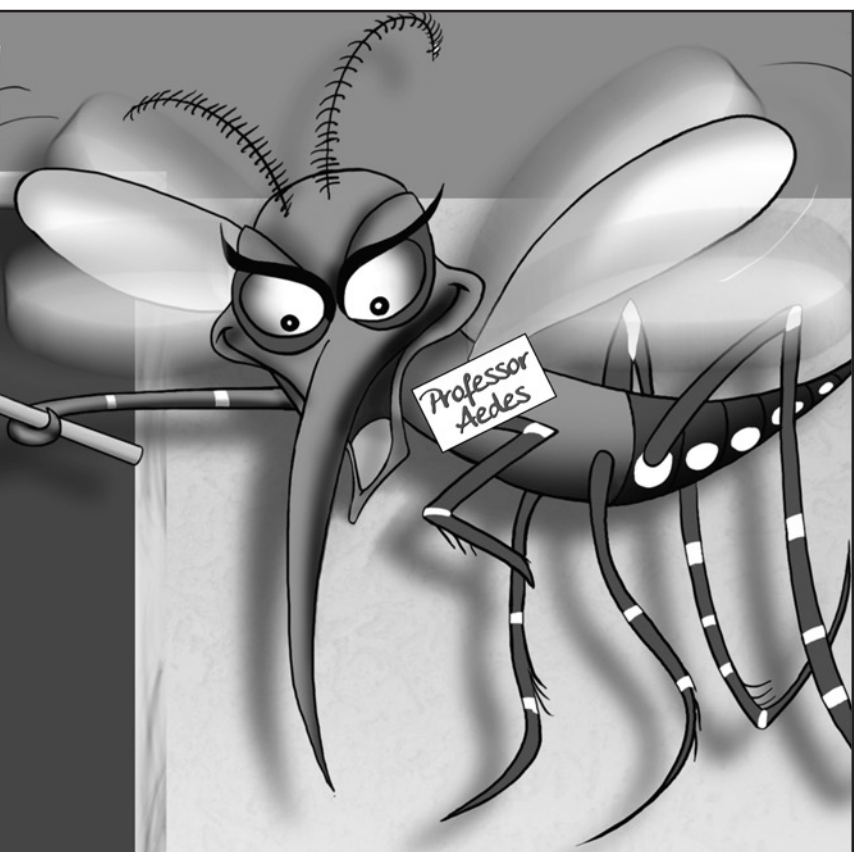
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Motorists who use public roads must comply with all the rules and requirements stipulated in the Country Regulation for Vehicles Requirements (AB1999, no 33).

The specifications in the articles 11, 12, 13 and 14 describes the color of the different lights that are mandatory for motor vehicles.

When the lights of a motor vehicle are ON the colors are as follows:

- Front lights must be white or yellow,
- Back lights must be red, and
- Stoplights must be red or orange/red

It is prohibited to use high intensity lights, such as HID (High Intensity Discharge) headlights which can blind

the opposite traffic and/or create confusion. Other light colors like blue and/or green are absolutely now allowed.

It is also prohibited to use smoked material lights and covers that are not clear (smoked) to shield the lights or the number plate. Colored lights, for example on the wipers or under the car are not allowed, this can cause confusion. The light beams must be clear and without any obstructions.

D.T.I. reminds all motorists who are making changes on their vehicle to take into account that not all "after market" products are allowed in traffic. They are not street legal. These products are mostly used at car shows and other activities that are not on the public roads.

Aftermarket (automotive) is the addition of non-factory parts, accessories and upgrades to a motor vehicle

Other relevant laws for motor vehicles are among others:



* Country Regulation for Road Traffic (AB 1997 no 18)

* Motor vehicles and motorboat Tax Regulation (AB 1988 no GT 23)

* Country Regulation for passenger transportation (AB 1995 no GT 23)

* Country resolution for passenger transportation (AB 1997 GT 4)

* Country resolution for vehicles (AB1999, no 33)

* Country resolution on traffic rules (AB 1999 no 39),

* Country resolution for driving license and testing certificate (AB 1999 no. 61)

* Ruling characters of motor vehicles (AB 2002 no 22)

Additional information

Motor vehicle owners wishing to make an appointment for an inspection must call at tel. 584-2095 to make an appointment.

In the case the motor vehicle does not pass the inspection the fee is AWG 30 and the owner will get a 30 day period to come back with the vehicle after making the necessary repairs and/or adjustments. The inspection report will then cost AWG 20. If the 30 day period of the re-inspection expires (Saturday and Sunday included) the automated inspection register system closes off the period and the motor vehicle owner must pay the whole fee for the inspection.

When a motor vehicle is completely inspected the personnel of the inspection department will put a sticker on the inside of the windshield on the right bottom side

The cost for inspection of a motor vehicle depends on the type, weight and the amount of axis the vehicle has. For a family car (sedan)

the cost for inspection is AWG 30 with an additional AWG 20 for the inspection report which amounts to AWG 50

Double cabine- and longbed pickups are long haul vehicles and must pass an inspection every year.

On the day of inspection the motor vehicle owners must have the following documents:

- Previous inspection report(this for vehicles that passed an inspection before),
- the vehicle registration form given by the Tax Collection Department,
- A valid assurance receipt of the assurance company, NOT a receipt of the assurance broker

Public transport vehicles and V-cars must have additionally a valid permit given by the Ministry of Transport (Ministerial Decision)

For more information readers may call the DTI Inspection Department at tel. 584-5300, fax 584-2008 or email: dti@setarnet.aw

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Peripheral student concerns such as insurance and handling personal finances are answered by Boogard Assurantie and Aruba Bank. SETAR N.V.,



Aruba's national telecommunications provider and W.E.B., the island's water and energy provider, are also on hand to explain what they require for those interested in careers in advanced management positions, and how the companies may event assist them with their education.

Aruba's College Fair offers a wealth of information for all ages of islanders looking towards increasing their skills and qualifications in a highly competitive world; doors will be open today from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

by Rosalie Klein



Aruban institutions are well represented with the four faculties of the University of Aruba, IPA, the Teacher-Training Institute, and the EPI, offering Associate degrees in Technology, Business Administration and Economics, Social Work, Hospitality and HORECA.

Dedicated friends have kept Louise Mason coming back to Aruba for 20 years



When Louise Mason and her husband David, of Needham, Maas, were invited to enjoy a Caribbean vacation with her sister Doris in her timeshare at what was then the Sonesta Beach Resort, they figured, "Why not?" A single visit turned into a love affair with Aruba lasting for 20 years, beyond the passing of David, seventeen years ago.

Louise returns annually to spend four weeks on Aruba, enjoying Halloween and Thanksgiving with a dedicated group of friends she had met on her first visit, and which enriches her time on the island beyond measure.

Last week, the Aruba Tourism Authority named her friends "Ambassadors of Goodwill" but a misplaced piece of paperwork neglected to honor Louise as well. The ATA and the Renaissance Resort will make it right next

week during another award ceremony, but Louise could not imagine having this moment immortalized with strangers; it broke her heart she could not share it with good friends.

Linda Garcia, "Navigator" at Renaissance Beach Suites and THE MORNING NEWS feel Louise's devotion to Aruba deserves this small indulgence, and so here she is, with her sister Doris Walsh, with whom she shares her month on the island, and

Doris' daughter Terry Mattoon.

Louise's extended Aruban family, John and Norma Ferrigno, Frank and Delores Califano, Tom and Juli Farrone, Phyllis Mazeiko and Olga de la Cruz were only too happy to accommodate her, as they sorely missed her being part of their celebration last week.

A toast to Louise and her friends, whose steadfast love of the island and its people make it a pleasure to welcome them back each year.



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Brazilian teams sweep the inaugural Copa Aruba



Second place Ypiranga 9

Loyal fans that traveled thousands of miles to support their favorite soccer players were jubilant as the Macabi team of Brazil won the championship title for the Masters to end the first Copa Aruba tournament at the Frans Figaroa Stadium in Noord on Thursday evening, November 4.

After days of unfavorable weather, the skies cleared for the final game, where Macabi in blue faced off against

the Ypiranga team in black. It was an all-out battle among the veteran players in the 40+ Masters division as official FIFA referees carded the black shirts on numerous occasions, forcing them to finish the game with only seven players and even escorting their coach off the field. Macabi team scored early on in the first half, and managed to garner another goal in the last ten minutes of play to take the trophy 2 to 0 during penalty kicks.

Prior to the match that ended the tournament which began last Friday, October 30, the Super Masters final game for veteran players of 50+ ended with Bagaco facing off against San Paolo Football Commission, winning 5 to 0.

The first Copa Aruba was a cooperative effort of the Aruba Tourism Authority, Ministry of Sport and CIA Travel of Brazil which brought over 600 visitors from Brazil consisting of the players, support personal, families and fanatical fans. It pitted top veteran players from Aruba and Curacao against the Master and Super Master teams of Brazil, prompting CIA Travel CEO Rogerio Donata, organizer of the event to dub it the "battle of David ver-



sus Goliath."

The Brazilian Goliaths knocked out the Aruban and Antillean Davids in the very first days of competition leaving the visiting teams to battle it out during the quarter and semi-finals. It was an exciting week of soccer action despite uncooperative weather, and organizer Roy Helder of the Aruba Football Federation expressed the belief the Copa Aruba will become an annual event.

By Rosalie Klein



Loyal fans traveled from Brazil. Gooooooooooooaaal



Sci-Tech

1.5-million-dollar verdict in US music piracy case



the jury for its service in this matter and that they recognized the severity of the defendant's misconduct," the RIAA said in a statement.

In June 2009, a jury ordered Thomas-Rasset to pay 1.92 million dollars -- or 80,000 dollars per song -- to six record companies: Capitol Records, Sony BMG Music, Arista Records, Interscope Records, Warner Bros. Records and UMG Recordings.

WASHINGTON (AFP) — A US jury has ordered a Minnesota woman to pay 1.5 million dollars for illegally downloading 24 songs in a high-profile digital piracy case.

Jammie Thomas-Rasset, a single mother of four, was found liable by a jury on Wednesday of copyright infringement for using KaZaA peer-to-peer file-sharing network to download the songs over the Internet.

She was ordered to pay 62,500 dollars for each of the 24 songs, a total of 1.5 million dollars.

The verdict was the third in the long-running case and was welcomed by the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA).

"We are again thankful to

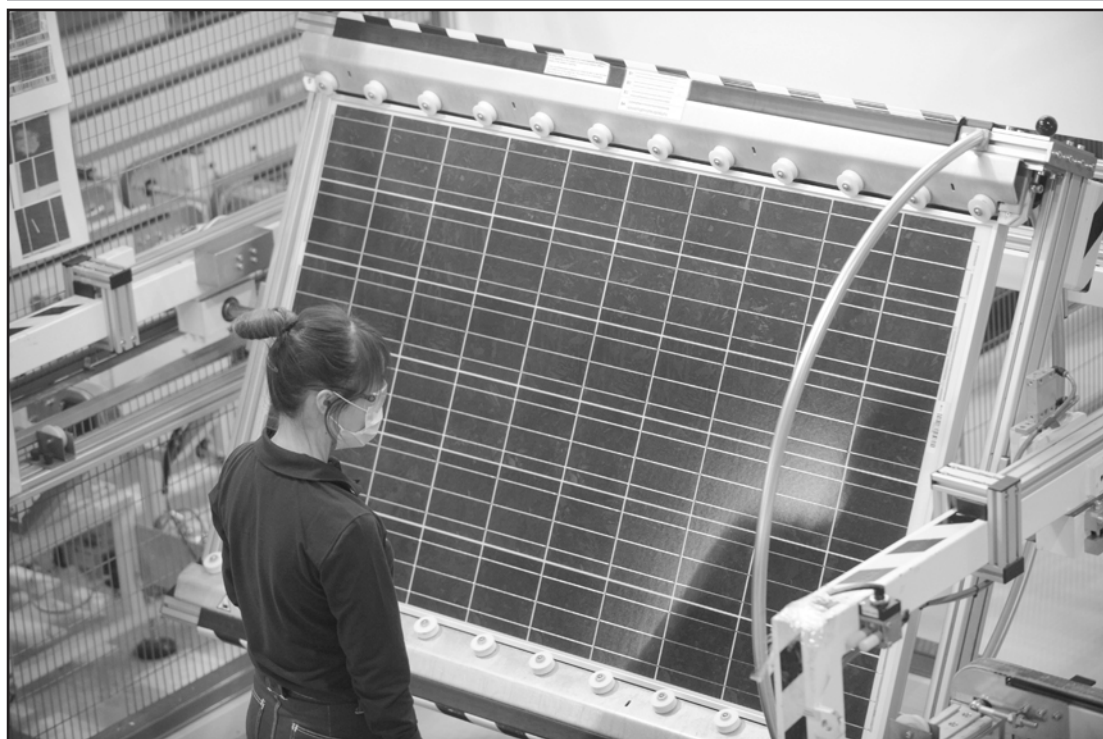
Thomas-Rasset was convicted previously, in October 2007, and ordered to pay 220,000 dollars in damages but the judge who presided over that trial threw out the verdict calling it "wholly disproportionate" and "oppressive."

The RIAA and major music labels brought suit against thousands of people for illegally downloading and sharing music, with most agreeing to settlements of between 3,000 and 5,000 dollars.

Thomas-Rasset, however, has consistently refused to settle the case.

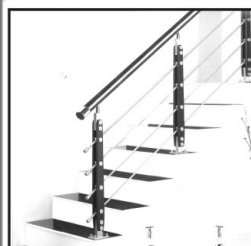
In December 2008, the RIAA said it will stop suing people who download music illegally and focus instead on getting Internet Service Providers to take action.

REC opens \$2.5b solar plant in Singapore



An employee makes a final check on a solar panel at the Renewable Energy Corporation (REC) integrated solar manufacturing facility in Singapore. The 2.5 billion Singapore dollars facility officially opened this week and is the third largest foreign green field investment ever made by a Norwegian company and is one of the largest investment made in Singapore. The facility was built 20 per cent below the initial budget, and is one to two months ahead of schedule, recently producing its one millionth solar module. (AFP PHOTO)

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Europe taking phosphates out of wash in water clean-up

BRUSSELS (AFP) — Europe took steps Thursday to ban phosphates from laundry detergents in little over a year in a bid to clean up its rivers, lakes and marine waters.

A European Commission proposal said the ban aimed to reduce phosphates found in waste water which, when discharged, can cause algae to grow at the expense of other aquatic life -- a phenomenon known as "red tides" or "green tides" that scientists call "eutrophication."

The ban, to apply from January 1, 2013, will not affect detergents used for automatic dishwashers or by

professionals as technically and economically feasible alternatives are not yet available across the European Union.

Phosphate-free washes "will ensure that European citizens benefit from an increased water quality," said Antonio Tajani, the Commissioner for industry.

Phosphates came into

wide use half a century ago because they soften hard water and help to suspend dirt, but when carried into waste systems are hard and costly to break down.

EU experts said pollution due to phosphates was 60 percent caused by laundry detergents, 30 percent dishwashing agents and eight per cent industry.

Mozilla's New Firefox Beta for Android Improves Speed, Size

Mozilla has released a faster, smaller beta version of its Firefox 4 browser for Android-based smartphones with an improved user interface, according to a Thursday blog post.

The new beta version requires only 17 MB of storage space instead of about 43 MB, but Mozilla still sees room for further improvement, though. Users of the previous beta version will need to uninstall it and then install the new one in order to reclaim the storage space.

Mozilla has worked to speed up panning and zooming operations and reduce page load times, according to the blog post. On Android 2.2, Firefox 4 is now around 25 percent faster than the stock browser, it said.

The interface has been overhauled to make it look more Android-like, while still maintaining a connection to Firefox for desktop platforms, according to Mozilla.

Users can now also share links from the site menu and undo the closing of a tab.

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15 minutes, then rinse with warm water.

Note: Before you apply, test on a small area of your face or neck to ensure that none of the ingredients react adversely with your skin.

Breathing aid

Think twice about peeling your next apple—the skin is jam-packed with an antioxidant called quercetin, which may protect your lungs from pollutants.

A study from St. George's Hospital Medical School in London found that people who eat five or more apples a

week have better lung function than those who don't. So slip one into your lunch bag today.

Scalp rejuvenator

Say good-bye to pesky flakes with apple cider vinegar, which is believed to nix the bacteria that may contribute to dandruff, says Cal Orey, author of *The Healing Powers of Vinegar*.

Try this remedy: Massage a few tablespoons of apple cider vinegar directly into washed scalp; leave on for 1 minute, then rinse.

CT screening cuts lung cancer death better than X-ray: study



WASHINGTON (AFP) — Screening heavy smokers with low-dose computer tomography (CT) instead of X-rays can reduce deaths from lung cancer by 20 percent, a massive US study released Thursday shows.

Previous studies have shown that helical CT scanning can identify small tumors in the early stages of growth better than X-rays.

"But it's never been shown before conclusively that the procedure has an effect on

the ultimate outcome, namely lung cancer mortality," Harold Varmus, head of the National Cancer Institute, told reporters.

Although more research is needed to determine why CT-scan screening was tied to such a significant drop in lung cancer mortality, "the assumption is that a larger number of early cancers that would have been lethal were removed in patients who had undergone helical CT scanning," said Varmus.

Helical CT uses X-rays to obtain a multiple-image scan of the entire chest during seven to 15 seconds.

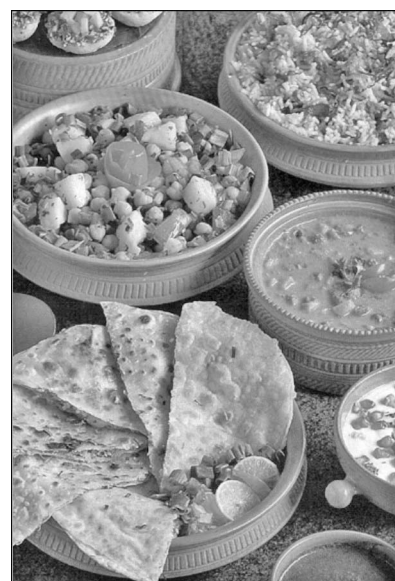
"This finding has important implications for public health with the potential to

save many lives among those at greatest risk for lung cancer," said Varmus.

"Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer mortality in the US and throughout the world, so a validated approach that can reduce lung cancer mortality by even 20 percent has the potential to spare very significant numbers of people from the ravages of this disease," he said.

"This screening does not prevent lung cancer and doesn't protect the large majority of subjects from death from lung cancer," said Varmus, stressing that the best way to prevent smoking-related lung illness was to quit smoking or never start.

The researchers raised some concerns about CT scans, including that they cost more than X-rays and expose patients to more radiation than X-rays.



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Gene finding opens way to new hypertension treatment



high blood pressure which, as the most important cardiovascular risk factor, is ultimately the leading cause of death worldwide.

The new gene variant lowers the risk of high blood pressure and heart disease as people carrying the variant were found to have 15 percent fewer strokes, myocardial infarctions and

coronary deaths, the Commission said.

The discovery was the result of a genetic study involving 40,000 people from eight European countries, led by the University of Glasgow and Istituto Auxologico Italiano of Milan, and funded to the tune of 10 million euros (14.2 million dollars) by the European Union.

Results are published in the Public Library of Science Genetics open-source journal.

BRUSSELS (AFP) - The discovery of a new gene variant by an EU-funded research team opens the way to improved treatment for high blood pressure sufferers, the European Commission said Thursday.

"I congratulate all those involved in this excellent work," said Maire Geoghegan-Quinn, the commissioner for research, innovation and science.

A Commission statement said one adult in four in the European Union suffers from

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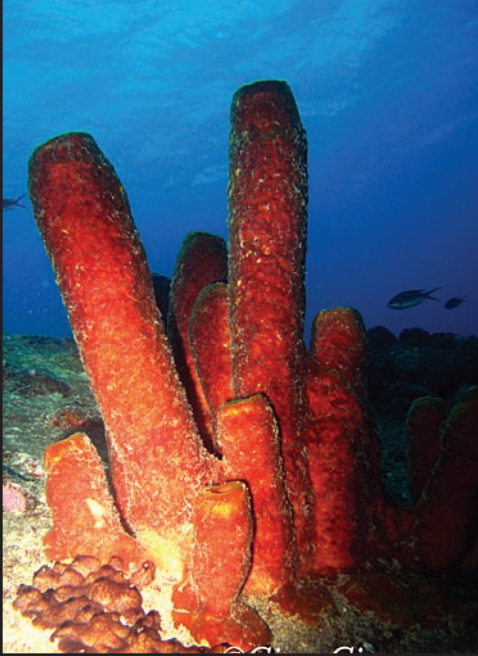
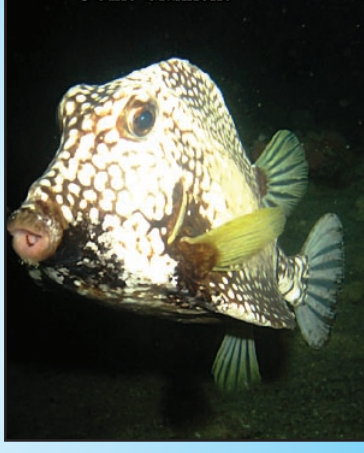
Nowadays, to dive at night you need to be a certified diver to be more comfortable underwater. Night diving makes you open your eyes and observe this different behaviors right in front of you. Moreover, with a strong flash light you may appreciate all the real colors of underwater corals and animals in Aruba. There is a special magic show that usually you do such as put your lights towards your chest and move one hand from one side to another you will be amazed with the plankton (glows in the dark) is like watch a sky full of stars but underwater.

Indeed, there are some difficulties to communicate with the other divers but with some organization it is easy and enjoyable to dive at night.

Pos Chiquito and Mangel Halto are the best shore dives for night dive in Aruba. On the other hand, you can dive the Antilla wreck with companies such as S.E.A. Aruba Fly and Dive or Mermaid Divers, any of them are perfect to take you to this exciting dive site.

Needless to say, it is a real adventure being underwater with a flash light and looking at octopus crossing around, great barracudas and parrot fish sleeping in the bottom.

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The Queen's offers an authentic taste of Aruba!



Varella, Luisa and the next generation of chef



Grandma's stoba with classic rice and beans and homemade potato beet salad

One of the distinctions of Aruban cuisine is incorporating unique indigenous ingredients such as in Wild Cucumber Stew and a particular light fish chowder accompanied by the local specialties pan bati (corn meal pancake) and funchi (the local version of polenta.) Thus, eating out at the authentically Aruban restaurant, The Queen's, is very affordable, with a true taste of regional cuisine.

Owner Varella Innocencia confesses she opened her restaurant in Oranjestad because "I grew up with this, and loved serving people our island food. My father and mother operated the little restaurant across from the Americana, which some may remember, the original Arawak. I remember how much our customers loved trying the local food, and they especially loved the prices!"

Varella's mom, Luisa, is still in the kitchen, conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generations, which is acknowledged on the menu with "Carni Stoba di Mamachi"- "Grandma's Beef Stew," and their Arawak Steak.

We also bumped into island visitors Jim and Callie from Michigan, who were eager to try island food, and were more than pleased with their venture

into local cuisine. "We will definitely return to The Queen's," they affirmed, "the food was delicious and the prices are more than right."

The menu sports a variety of steaks and tenderloin, fresh caught seafood, Caribbean lobster, and of course, one of our favorites, and what we consider a true test of local cuisine, "Keshi Yena"- "Filled Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted Gouda. It was very satisfying and particularly memorable paired with The Queen's garlic bread and very special Pica, a mix of chopped onions and the famous local hot pepper, Madame Janette. Not overly spicy, it lent that perfect bit of tang to this deliciously picturesque meal.

Located next to the Harbor at the end of the Weststraat, The Queen's is open from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., daily, offering indoor and outdoor dining. They also have daily specials, aside from an extensive menu; made from whatever is in season.

We noticed a steady stream of islanders coming for lunch in the pleasant surroundings or picking up take-out containers; always a sure sign of a winner is where the locals like to eat!

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During Island Extravaganza on December 4 The Next Top Dog is back with a Best Dressed Competition



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Bestial together with Renaissance Mall are looking for the Best Dressed Dog.

The competition consists of two categories - small and large dogs - where they will have the opportunity to show off their new outfit for the first time. The dog must walk beautifully without any difficulty and with a 'Top Dog' attitude. The dogs and their owners will

show their creation to the public, giving the public the opportunity to cheer and vote online at www.bestialtv.com for the most popular dog. It is not necessary for the dog to perform any tricks.

Dog lovers who want to register their dog, must submit a picture of the dog, its name, address and telephone number.

Look for the ad on Facebook or in the local media, fill it in and deliver it at Bestial Pet Shop at Shaba.

For more information readers may call at tel. 587-7271. Last day of inscription is November 19, 2010.

Aruba Diabetic Foundation introduces its Blue Month



ORANJESTAD — Recently, the Diabetic Foundation held a press conference at the Horacio Oduber Hospital. The Diabetic Foundation comprises a new group of volunteers full of creativity. At present they are in full renovation, working on a strategic plan to make the community more aware of diabetes. They will also put emphasis on how to deal with diabetic issues and problems in a more structured way, together with other foundations and departments. Also plans on how to prevent worsening of a diabetic patient's condition, thus improving their quality of life, are on their list.

Diabetes mellitus, often simply referred to as diabetes—is a group of metabolic diseases in which a person has high blood sugar, either because the body does not produce enough insulin, or because cells do not respond to the insulin that is produced. This high blood sugar produces the classical symptoms of polyuria (frequent urination), polydipsia (increased thirst) and polyphagia (increased hunger).

There are three main types of diabetes:

- Type 1 diabetes: re-

sults from the body's failure to produce insulin, and presently requires the person to inject insulin. (Also referred to as insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus, IDDM for short, and juvenile diabetes.)

- Type 2 diabetes: results from insulin resistance, a condition in which cells fail to use insulin properly, sometimes combined with an absolute insulin deficiency.

- Gestational diabetes: is when pregnant women, who have never had diabetes before, have a high blood glucose level during pregnancy. It may precede development of type 2 DM.

Other forms of diabetes mellitus include congenital diabetes, which is due to genetic defects of insulin secretion, cystic fibrosis-related diabetes, steroid diabetes induced by high doses of glucocorticoids, and several forms of monogenic diabetes.

All forms of diabetes have been treatable since insulin became available in 1921, and type 2 diabetes may be controlled with medications. Both type 1 and 2 are chronic conditions that usually cannot be cured.

The foundation is working

on an operational plan with different activities to achieve their goal. They are, among others, making people aware of diabetes, development and stimulation for a better handling of diabetes and irritation, but also motivate the life of a diabetic patient. The Aruba government is their primary partner.

November is the Blue Month for the Diabetic Foundation on Aruba and November 14 is the International Day of Diabetes.

"The problem of diabetes on Aruba is more serious than we thought and we do not have time to waste, we must act now, take control and prevent this malaise. The Diabetes Foundation have a few informative activities scheduled for the month of November. The information days are not only for diabetics, but also for those interacting with them. The whole community is invited to these events, which will be on November 4 at the Club San Martin in Santa Cruz, November 11 at the YMCA San Nicolas and November 18 at the YMCA Dakota. Time is from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to assist and learn more about diabetes.

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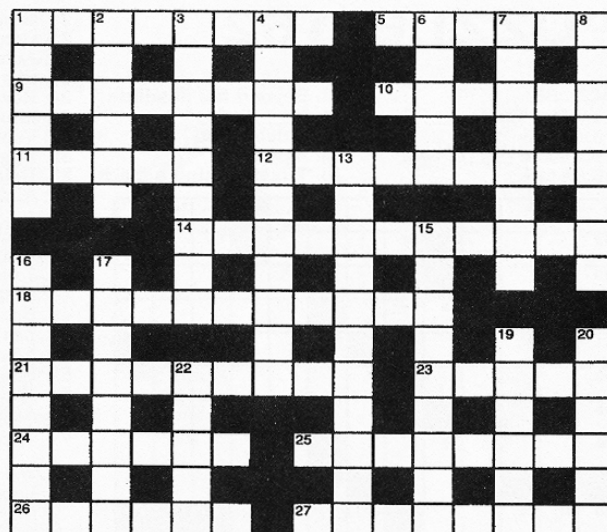
British-style or cryptic crosswords are a great challenge for crossword fans. Each clue contains either a definition or direct reference to the answer, as well as a play on words. The number in parentheses indicate the number of letters in the answer word or words.

ACROSS

1. Primary woods around Missouri (8)
5. First-rate cooking vessel (mine) given back (6)
9. Conduct business in "Cats"—rant wildly (8)
10. Run one off—some nerve (6)
11. Cop he dodges for a time (5)
12. To beautify in anthem, bell is heard (9)
14. Actress Zadora, no less, performing keyboard instruction (11)
18. Neatness since Allen's "Bananas" (11)
21. Cart-horse disrupted band (9)
23. Pen for Western ceremony (5)
24. Beast Manila freed (6)
25. Matching nuts enrage GI (8)
26. Audibly, team expressed resignation (6)
27. He's in a seedy bar with tape (8)
2. Concerning a child's logic (6)
3. PS—mine has strangely bent (9)
4. Clandestine song: "Time for a Great Racehorse" (11)
6. Thought: fifty is perfect (5)
7. Latest move I started (8)
8. Inclination to swan song (8)
13. Frightening sound traveled around me and came back (11)
15. Heels were scattered in some other place (9)
16. Flippers cost Arab outrageously (8)
17. Attractive habit of a dog? (8)
19. Cycling most of the way with one swimsuit (6)
20. Bee, bird, and dog (6)
22. Wipe out time's error (5)

DOWN

1. Overweight—the woman's dad (6)



Note to Solvers: This Crossword does not have hints such as "2 wds." and "hyph."

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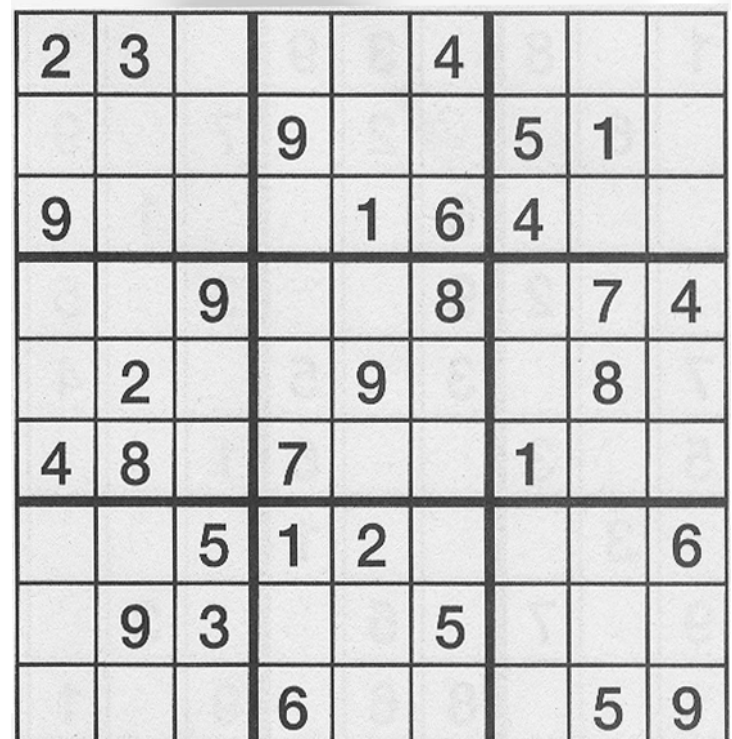
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Finance

AIG posts 2.4 billion dollar loss amid restructuring

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - American International Group said yesterday it lost 2.4 billion dollars in the third quarter, led by restructuring charges as the US government-rescued insurer struggles to pay back its bailout.

AIG said it took 4.5 billion dollars in restructuring-related charges, including the sale of assets to raise money to pay back aid from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (FRBNY).

The government-controlled company had posted a net profit of 455 million dollars in the 2009 third quarter.

AIG, once the world's largest insurer, received more than 180 billion dollars from the government two years ago to help cover investments that disappeared amid the collapse of a US real-estate bubble.

The Treasury Department said this week that AIG was poised to repay 36.7 billion dollars in government bailout aid after floating its Asian unit AIA and selling American Life Insurance Company.

"We were extremely pleased to announce a few

weeks ago our plan to repay the US government," Robert Benmosche, AIG president and chief executive, said in a statement.

"We will continue with our aggressive plan to close pending transactions in order to repay the FRBNY in full, and provide for the exit of US Treasury ownership over time."

In September, AIG announced it had entered into an agreement with the Treasury Department on a plan for repaying its debt, and has since then taken several steps in that direction.

Earlier this week, AIG's Asian unit, AIA, said it raised 20.5 billion dollars in a listing in Hong Kong, making it the world's third-biggest initial public offering.

AIG has also raised 16.2 billion dollars by selling unit American Life Insurance Company (ALICO) to MetLife Inc.

Shareholders took a scare last month following news that Benmosche, seen by many as the driving power behind AIG's restructuring, was seeking treatment for cancer.

Obama 'open to any idea' on US economy

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama said yesterday the jump in US jobs created in October was "encouraging," but added he welcomed any idea that would work to revive the struggling US economy.

"The fact is, an encouraging jobs report doesn't make a difference if you're still one of the millions of people who are looking for work. And I won't be satisfied until everybody who is looking for a job can find one," he said.

"I am open to any idea, any proposal, any way we can get the economy growing faster so that people who need work can find it faster," he said, including tax breaks which are popular among Republicans.

The United States ended a four-month streak of payroll

losses, though not enough to dent the high unemployment rate, official data showed yesterday.

The Labor Department reported that 151,000 nonfarm jobs were created in October, much better than expected, leaving the jobless rate unchanged at 9.6 percent for the third consecutive month.

The number of new jobs was more than double the 60,000 forecast by most analysts. The jobless rate matched expectations.

The Labor Department slashed its initial estimate of 95,000 job losses in September to 41,000.

The jobs report and its details suggested a stronger recovery was underway in the private sector than previously believe

Google Street View launched in Germany with homes blurred

OBERSTAUFEN, Germany -- Benjamin Buhl pushes Oberstaufen Touristic Chief Bianca Keybach sitting on a trike equipped with Google Street View cameras in a park in Oberstaufen in Bavaria, southern Germany on November 2, 2010, the day on which US Internet giant Google put online its first images from Germany as part of its Street View navigation service.

Although Germans are avid users of Street View images from other countries, the planned roll-out here caused alarm in a country particularly sensitive to privacy concerns due to the gross abuses under the Nazi and communist regimes. (AFP PHOTO)



S.Africa joins chorus of criticism on US Fed policy move

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AFP) - South Africa's finance minister yesterday criticized the latest US decision to pump more cash into the faltering US economy, joining China and Brazil in warning the move would hurt emerging markets.

"Developing countries, including South Africa, will bear the brunt of the US decision to open its flood gates without due consideration of the consequences for other nations," Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan said in a statement.

"The move by the USA will force developing nations to take more steps to mitigate the impact of the increased flows

into their financial markets."

Gordhan said he was "disappointed" the US Federal Reserve had decided to inject another 600 billion dollars (422.5 billion euros) into the economy without waiting for next week's meeting of leaders of the Group of 20 nations in South Korea.

"The USA's decision undermines the spirit of multilateral cooperation that G20 leaders have fought so hard to maintain during the current crisis," he said.

"Most of the 600 billion dollars that the Federal Reserve will pump into the USA's economy will find its way into the financial markets of emerg-

ing market countries, where these dollar flows will have the effect of strengthening emerging market currencies."

South Africa has seen its rand rise 47 percent against the dollar since November 2008, as investors seeking higher returns in emerging economies have poured capital into its financial markets and driven demand for the local currency higher.

The country's export sector is pressuring government to take measures to weaken the rand, saying its strength is hurting the competitiveness of South African products.

Gordhan last week announced the country would ease its exchange control rules in a bid to rein in the rand.

US adds jobs for first time since May

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States saw a mini jobs boom in October, snapping a four-month streak of payroll losses but not enough to dent the high unemployment rate, official data showed yesterday.

The Labor Department reported a surprising 151,000 nonfarm jobs were added in October, while the jobless rate as expected remained unchanged at 9.6 percent for the

third month in a row.

The number of new jobs was more than double the 60,000 forecast by most analysts. The Labor Department slashed its initial estimate of 95,000 job losses in September to 41,000.

The private sector powered the turnaround, adding 159,000 jobs, including 154,000 in the massive services sector. The government shed 8,000 payrolls.

YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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Kite surfing or kiteboarding is a surface water sport that uses the wind to pull a rider through the water on a small surfboard or a kiteboard (similar to a wakeboard). Generally kiteboarding refers to a style of riding known as freestyle or wake-style, whereas kitesurfing is more "wave-riding" oriented. These two styles usually require different boards and specific performance kites.

A kitesurfer or kiteboarder uses a board with or without foot-straps or bindings, combined with the power of a large controllable kite to propel the rider and the board across the water. In 2006, the number of kitesurfers has been estimated at around 150,000 to 210,000, with 114,465 inflatable kites sold that same year.

The sport is becoming safer due to innovations in kite design, safety release systems, and instructions. Riding styles have evolved to suit riders and conditions, such as wakestyle, waveriding, freestyle, freeride, jumping, and cruising.

Kitesurfing started on the island in 1998. Armando Wester, a professional windsurfer and certified instructor, and his buddies were the first ones to introduce Kitesurfing to the island of Aruba.

Since then, they have gotten more than 5,000 visitors and locals hooked on this new adrenaline rush sport.

Their years of experience, the trade winds on the island, the beautiful Caribbean Sea and the latest equipment make it an ideal and safe place for anyone to learn to kite. Kitesurfing is a hybrid of wakeboarding, hand-gliding and windsurfing for a radical new approach of kite power.

Anyone between the ages of 8 and 77 can enjoy this sport.

So don't hesitate to call Armando or visit him at the Fisherman's huts, just north of the Aruba Marriott Resort, and see for yourself what an exhilarating rush this sport really is.

Lessons start daily at 9 a.m., 12 noon or 3 p.m.

Domino's Pizza offers 31,000 dollars for one hour's work

TOKYO, Japan (AFP) — It's the part-time job generations have been waiting for, and no special qualifications are required -- working in a pizza restaurant for just one hour for a juicy 31,000 dollars.

That's the job offer Domino's Pizza Japan Inc. has placed on its website as it celebrates its 25th anniversary in the country.

Anyone over 18 years old who is eligible to work in Japan can apply, said the Japanese unit of the popular US pizza chain.

"Let's cheer up Domino Pizza's 25th anniversary together," the company said, of-



fering the 2.5 million yen (31,000 dollar) job and promising to release further information next Wednesday.

Part-time workers in Japan on average earn 987 yen (12 dollars) per hour, according to a private employment company.

Sunday: NFL tail-gate BBQ from 10:30 a.m.

Buster's Garage in South Beach Center: One place for the whole family

Buster's Garage, a New York City landmark, made its way to Aruba about a year ago, and found a new home at the South Beach Center across from the Radisson Resort. Dedicated to the sports fanatic, the spacious but homey interior is the perfect place to keep up with your favorite team and have a great meal.

Fun for all the family, Buster's has typical sport bar fare such as chicken wings, quesadillas, calamari rings for munching while watching the main event on 24 giant plasma screens. Every seat is good seat for catching all the action. Open from noon for lunch or dinner, it has plenty of distractions for the younger crowd, including foosball, and a video arcade, so Mom and Dad can relax and enjoy their meal.

The moderately priced menu includes all your favorite finger foods and a great selection of local and imported beers. Customer reviews gave Buster's Garage 4.5 stars out of 5 on yellowpages-aruba.com; one declared "my wife and I happened to stumble upon it -but what a find!" Another stated "Owner Rusty is so down to earth. The food was very good and the prices were outstanding for the High-Rise area. Aruba needed a place like this."

Buster's regularly organizes special events with live music. At 10 p.m. it turns into a cozy adult hangout; 18 years and over only allowed, with a DJ on duty nightly and boasting the only beerpong table on Aruba. Aside from a great place to root for the home team or your favorites during play-offs and championships, they regularly carry all UFC fights



& WWE events.

Buster's is a great place where island visitors and residents mix and mingle; Monday

to Thursday they close at 2:00 a.m., weekends at 4:00 a.m.

by Rosalie Klein

Family says newly crowned oldest woman is 115

JACKSONVILLE, Texas (AFP) — The family of the newly designated world's oldest person, American Eunice Sanborn, says she is in fact 115 -- a year older than official records indicate.

Sanborn was vaulted into the spotlight Thursday, recognized as the oldest living individual following the death of Eugenie Blanchard at age 114 in the French West Indies, based on a website that tracks living centenarians.

When told of her "achievement," Sanborn's reaction was simple: "Oh, think of that."



Sanborn of Jacksonville, Texas, turned 115 in July although the US Census Bureau erroneously recorded her birth date as 1896 rather than 1895, her family claims. She still lives at home with 24-hour

care.

Her "adopted" son David French -- a longtime friend of Sanborn who first met her when he was five years old -- and his wife Rena provide caretakers for Sanborn.

French said although Sanborn has had a few restless nights this week, she is in good health.

"She was smiling a lot today," French told AFP.

He said she also asked what happened to the former record holder. When told she passed away, Sanborn said she was sorry for her and her family.

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German Jews ordain first female rabbi since WW II



BERLIN, Germany -- Alina Treiger is the first woman to be ordained as a rabbi in Germany in 75 years. She and two male rabbis were ordained in an emotional ceremony attended by German President Christian Wulff and Jewish leaders from around the world at Berlin's Pestalozzi synagogue on Thursday.

Jewish life has taken root again in Germany after being nearly wiped out by the Nazis.

"For the past two years, rabbis have been ordained here in Germany, rabbis who completed their studies in Germany," Wulff said.

Ukrainian-born Treiger studied at the Abraham Geiger College in Berlin, which was

founded in 1999, and is due to take up her post as rabbi in Jewish religious communities in the towns of Oldenburg and Delmenhorst.

"It's important to me that Jews in Germany are able to develop a positive identity," she said. "Not just something that is negative and related to persecution and the Holocaust, but a positive identity."

Liberal Judaism considers men and women to be equal, and she was made to feel very welcome, Treiger told Deutsche Welle ahead of the ceremony.

"This shows that the attitude towards female rabbis has changed to the better," she said.

World's oldest axe found in Australia

SYDNEY, Australia (AFP) -- Archaeologists revealed they have found a piece of a stone axe dated as 35,500 years old on sacred Aboriginal land in Australia, the oldest object of its type ever found.

The shard of stone, found in Australia's lush and remote far northern reaches in May, has marks that prove it comes from a ground-edge stone axe, Monash University's Bruno David said yesterday.

"We could see with the angled light that the rock itself has all these marks on it from people having rubbed it in order to create the ground-edge axe," he told the ABC.

"The person who was using the axe was grinding it against a sandstone surface in order to make it a smoother surface."

David said the previous oldest ground-edge axes were 20,000 to 30,000 years old, and the conventional belief was that the tool first emerged in Europe when populations grew and forests flourished at the end of the last Ice Age.

"What we've got in Australia, however, is evidence of ground-edge axes going back 35,000 years ago," he said.

"What this all means is that we know that the conventional story that comes

World's first Ferrari theme park opens in Abu Dhabi

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (AFP) -- Ferrari World, the world's largest indoor theme park and the first with a Ferrari theme, opened on Thursday in the Gulf emirate of Abu Dhabi.

The theme park, located near the emirate's Yas Marina racing circuit, is spread over 86,000 square metres (925,696 square feet), while its massive red roof covers 200,000 square meters (2.15 million square feet), and features the world's largest Ferrari prancing horse shield.

"The park is designed for up to 10,000 people at any one time," its general manager Claus Frimand told AFP.

"It's fantastic -- this is what we have been waiting for for years," he said, adding that "literally three years ago, there was nothing here, only sand."

Ferrari World offers 20 attractions, including Formula Rossa, which simulates driving a Formula 1 car and at



An ancient Aboriginal rock carving

from Europe does not explain the origin of axes globally. So we've got to think of it in a very different way."

David said the discovery is evidence that Aboriginal Jawoyn people from Arnhem Land could have been the first to grind axes to sharpen their edges.

"It means that you're creating a tool that is far more efficient than what you had before, and that you also have to create a tool not just through a simple series of actions of hitting against it," he said.

The piece of stone was found in a remote patch of the Northern Territory amid traditional Aboriginal rock art paintings believed to date back thousands of years.

"It's a very remote location, it's quite a spectacular

site that is covered in rock art," David said, adding that the cave where the stone was found was well protected from the elements.

Jawoyn Aboriginal people, who had invited the archaeologists to their land to examine the site, said the find was a meaningful connection to their ancestors.

"They (the archaeologists) study about rocks and bone and everything and I wanted to know the truth," landowner Margaret Katherine told the ABC. "Now that I know the truth I am very happy deep inside."

Arnhem Land, a 97,000 square kilometre (38,800 square mile) patch of forests, rivers and gorges east of the Northern Territory capital of Darwin, is sacred to Aboriginal people



An artist's illustration of "Ferrari World" theme park

240 kilometers (150 miles) an hour is said to be the fastest roller-coaster in the world.

The park is part of Abu Dhabi's multi-billion-dollar effort to develop Yas Island. The emirate also plans to open branches of the Louvre and Guggenheim museums

on nearby Saadiyat Island.

Abu Dhabi, the largest and richest of the seven emirates making up the United Arab Emirates, has launched an ambitious development plan to 2030 to modernize and diversify its economy away from oil.

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Giants decline option on World Series MVP Renteria



SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) – The Major League Baseball champion San Francisco Giants declined to exercise their 9.5 million dollar option on Edgar Renteria which netted the World Series MVP a 500,000 dollar buyout.

The move was expected because Renteria is considering retirement after a season filled with injuries.

The decision comes just three days after Renteria's tiebreaking three-run homer off Cliff Lee in the seventh

inning Monday that lifted San Francisco to its first title since moving to the US western seaboard in 1958.

"He was obviously a big reason we won, not just the last game but the whole play-off run," said Bobby Evans, the Giants' vice president.

"Edgar played a huge role, whether in the clubhouse, on the field, or his leadership and his professionalism and his ability to string together some very good games and big hits for us."

A five-time all-star, Renteria batted .412 with two homers and six RBIs in the MLB championship series.

He had just three home runs and 22 RBIs during an injury-filled regular season.

India in control in first New Zealand Test

AHMEDABAD (AFP) – Tailender Harbhajan Singh struck a career-best 69 before India picked up two early wickets to put New Zealand under pressure on the second day of the first Test on Friday.

Harbhajan slammed three sixes and five fours in his 97-ball knock to steer India's first innings to 487 after the hosts had been reduced to 412-8 on a deteriorating wicket at the Sardar Patel Stadium in Ahmedabad.

At stumps, New Zealand were 69-2, trailing the Indians by 418 runs with eight wickets in hand. Brendon McCullum (38) and Ross Taylor (18) were the not-out batsmen.

"I am pleased that I could contribute with the bat," said Harbhajan. "Their bowlers bowled their hearts out, especially Daniel (Vettori) and (Jeetan) Patel, as the wicket had nothing much to offer."

"It was difficult to judge the flight and length of Dan's balls. He kept things tight at one end. But we have got enough runs on the board. We just need to ensure that we bowl according to our plans

and get the wickets."

Paceman Zaheer Khan gave India an early breakthrough when he had opener Tim McIntosh (0) caught behind in the third over while left-arm spinner Pragyan Ojha pegged back the off-stump of BJ Watling to reduce the Kiwis to 27-2.

But McCullum, opening the innings for the first time in Tests, held on steadily, hitting seven fours during his two-hour stay at the wicket.

Earlier, left-arm spinner Vettori finished with the best figures of 4-118, sending back Mahendra Singh Dhoni (10), Khan (one) and Harbhajan

after taking the wicket of Virender Sehwag (173) on Thursday.

Dhoni was running a fever and underwent tests for malaria, according to the local media manager, but returned to keep wickets.

New Zealand had fought back in the last 25 minutes before lunch to pick three quick Indian wickets, including that of star batsman Sachin Tendulkar for 40.

Tendulkar offered a simple return catch to Patel, disappointing a sizeable crowd that was expecting to celebrate his 50th Test ton on Diwali, the festival of lights.

Argentina's Oberto retires from NBA

PORTLAND (AFP) – Argentina's Fabricio Oberto retired suddenly from the National Basketball Association Thursday because of a heart condition that caused palpitations.

Oberto, a centre for the Portland Trail Blazers, had known about the cardiac

problem for some time. The 35-year-old signed with Portland on October 25.

In a game on Tuesday against Milwaukee, Oberto experienced lightheadedness and dizziness in the first half. It was after that game he decided to call it quits.

"I made this decision to put my health and my family in front of basketball," Oberto said. "It was a tough decision to make after playing for so many years, but it was the right one."

Oberto was in his sixth NBA season. The Blazers signed Oberto because of injuries to centres Joel Przybilla and Greg Oden, who both had knee surgeries.

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Danica Patrick voted most popular by IRL fans again



Danica Patrick was voted the most popular driver in the Indy Racing League and Pippa Mann won the honor among drivers in the Firestone Indy Lights, the IRL's primary feeder series.

The awards were determined by votes of fans at Indy Racing League events throughout the season and on indycar.com. Indy Down-Force, the Indy Racing League's official fan club, facilitates the balloting.

Nadal pulls out of Paris-Bercy Masters

PARIS (AFP) – Rafael Nadal has ruled himself out of the Paris-Bercy Masters 1000 next week because of tendinitis in his left arm.

The world number one from Spain had been due to make his much-anticipated comeback here having not competed since October 14 when he was eliminated from the Shanghai Masters in the third round by Austria's Jurgen Melzer.

"I am very unhappy to not be playing this year at the Paris-Bercy event," said the five-time French Open winner, who has had less success on the other side of Paris, where his best result was reaching the final in 2007.

At Bercy, which runs from November 7-14, Nadal would have played his final tournament ahead of the London Masters on November 21-28.

It was the sixth straight most-popular driver award for Patrick.

Danica Patrick has been voted the IRL's most popular driver for six straight years. (AP Photo) "I'm very flattered that I've received this award once, let alone six times," Patrick said. "Every person has the ability to pick their favorite driver, and it can change, so it's a real honor to receive an award from the fans."

In a disappointing season on the track, Patrick, an Illinois native now living in Arizona, had just three top-five finishes, eight top-10 finishes and no victories in 17 IRL starts. She didn't qualify for any pole positions and led only one lap.

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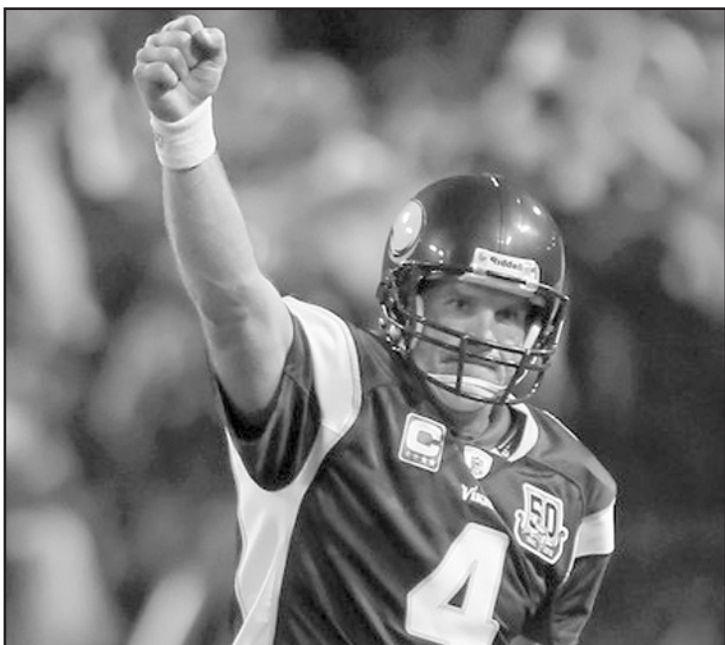
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Favre ready to sustain streak



NEW YORK (AFP) — Brett Favre says he is healthy enough to stretch his record streak of consecutive quarterback starts to 293 on Sunday against Arizona, but Peyton and Eli Manning figure to have more drama.

Most clubs reach the midpoint of the 16-game National Football League season this week with New England setting the pace at 6-1 after a 28-18 victory over Favre's Minnesota Vikings, who slid to 2-5.

A soap opera season for the Vikings includes just-released receiver Randy Moss arriving and departing and 41-year-old Favre's return from retirement and injury battles, including eight stitches after a chin cut suffered last Sunday.

"I probably should feel a lot worse," Favre said. "But I moved around fine, actually way better than I thought."

Favre sees a victory over the Cardinals, 3-4, as a way to begin a comeback run to the playoffs, even though Minnesota trails NFC division leader Green Bay by 2

1/2 games.

"This could be a very storybook ending or it could be a year to forget," Favre said. "It could easily turn around."

Peyton Manning will guide AFC South division leader Indianapolis, 5-2, into Philadelphia to face Michael Vick and the Philadelphia Eagles, who at 4-3 trail Eli Manning's New York Giants by one game in the NFC North.

The Colts' Manning has 15 touchdown passes this season, second-best in the NFL, against only two interceptions, level for the league low. But the Eagles' defense has 11 interceptions, ranking fourth in the 32-team league.

Indianapolis has some major offensive players hurting, including receiver Austin Collie, tight end Dallas Clark and rushers Donald Brown and Joseph Addai.

"A lot of things are going to make it tough for us this week," Manning said. "Philly has always had an excellent team, an excellent defense. These guys are well coached (with) a diverse blitz team, smart blitzes."

Eli Manning will guide the Giants into Seattle to face the Seahawks, 4-3, in a matchup of division leaders.

The Giants notably visited Seattle in 2005 and lost 24-21 after committing 16 penalties, 11 of them false starts by the offense because they could not hear Manning's signals over the loud screams of the Seahawks supporters.

"Poise in the noise is a big factor," Giants coach Tom Coughlin said.

New York will also be without center Shaun O'Hara, which could cause Manning some concern about simply getting the ball.

"It's not going to freak us out," Eli Manning said. "We're not over-stressing it. You have to be prepared for it. We're going to have to take our time, walk up and down a little bit, but that's in a lot of places."

Another key matchup will see Tampa Bay visit Atlanta in a matchup of NFC South co-leaders, both clubs at 5-2 with New Orleans just behind at 5-3.

Winless Buffalo will hope a change of venue changes luck as the Bills, 0-7, play host to Chicago at Toronto in their annual home game across the border in Canada.

The Bears are 4-3, half a game behind the Green Bay Packers, who play host to woeful Dallas, 1-6.

New England hopes to improve the NFL's best mark to 7-1 with a victory at Cleveland, 2-5.

Sunday's other gridiron games find Miami at Baltimore, the New York Jets at Detroit, San Diego at Houston, New Orleans at Carolina and Kansas City at Oakland.

Pittsburgh will play at Cincinnati on Monday night. St. Louis, Jacksonville, Tennessee, Denver, San Francisco and Washington are idle.

Red Sox keep Dominican slugger Ortiz



BOSTON, Massachusetts (AFP) — Boston Red Sox designated hitter David Ortiz will remain with the Major League Baseball club in 2011 after Red Sox officials exercised a 12.5 million-dollar contract option on the slugger.

The Dominican star nicknamed "Big Papi" also remains in talks about a multi-year deal with the Red Sox, whom he joined in 2003 as a free agent after leaving the Minnesota Twins.

Ortiz, who turns 35 in two weeks, started slowly the past

two seasons but each time improved as the six-month Major League Baseball campaign wore on.

This year, Ortiz led the Red Sox with 32 home runs and shared the team lead in runs batted in with 102. He batted .270 and was selected for the American League All-Star team. All of those totals were better than his 2009 numbers.

Ortiz led the Red Sox by being walked 82 times and shared ninth in the league in 69 extra-base hits.

Just one day earlier, the Red Sox lost third baseman Adrian Beltre, who rejected his 10 million-dollar contract option in favor of a one million-dollar buyout and free agency after only one season in Boston.

Ortiz and Beltre were among the few Red Sox regulars who avoided major injuries this season, when Boston missed the playoffs for only the second time in eight seasons, two of those which ended in World Series crowns.

NFL Sunday Schedule

Sunday Nov. 7

San Diego (3-5) @ Houston (4-3)
New Orleans (5-3) @ Carolina (1-6)
Tampa Bay (5-2) @ Atlanta (5-2)
Miami (4-3) @ Baltimore (5-2)
NY Giants (5-2) @ Seattle (4-3)
Kansas City (5-2) @ Oakland (4-4)
Arizona (3-4) @ Minnesota (2-5)
New England (6-1) @ Cleveland (2-5)
Chicago (4-3) @ Buffalo (0-7)
NY Jets (5-2) @ Detroit (2-5)
Indianapolis (5-2) @ Philadelphia (4-3)
Dallas (1-6) @ Green Bay (5-3)

Monday Night Football

Pittsburgh (5-2) @ Cincinnati (2-5)



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**Report: Police
investigate
Mets clubhouse
manager**

NEW YORK (AFP) – Charlie Samuels, the New York Mets clubhouse manager for 27 years, is being investigated for alleged betting on Major League Baseball as part of a gambling ring, the New York Daily News reported Friday.

Citing unnamed law-enforcement sources, the newspaper reported that Samuels is the focus of a probe by New York police and the District Attorney for links to betting and placing wagers himself.

Samuels, 53, was suspended by the Mets last week after an internal probe showed he might have written checks on Mets accounts and cashed them to cover his gambling expenses, repaying the money later, sources told the News.

Samuels, who has not been arrested, is also being investigated for bets on baseball and other sports as part of a gambling ring and providing tips and inside information to friends who bet on games.

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Clark, Craig among five voted to US Hall of Fame

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana (AFP) – Five-time Olympian Jearl Miles Clark and fellow Olympic champions Roy Cochran and Ralph Craig will be among five people inducted into the US Track and Field Hall of Fame next month.

USA Track and Field announced voting results for the honors Thursday night with enshrinement ceremonies set for the group's annual meeting December 4 at Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Also voted into the sport shrine were two-time Olympic 1,500m finalist Dyrol Burleson and journalist



James Dunaway.

Craig Virgin, a two-time

world cross country champion and three-time

Olympian, was also elected but was granted a request to have his enshrinement delayed until next year, when the ceremony will be in St. Louis near his home.

Clark, 44, was a 400m and 800m US star, winning the 1993 world outdoor and 1997 world indoor 400 titles. She captured 1996 Atlanta Olympic gold with the 4x400 relay. She was fifth at 400m in the 1996 Olympics and sixth at 800m in the 2004 Games.

Cochran, who died in 1981 at age 62, won the 400 hurdles at the 1948 London

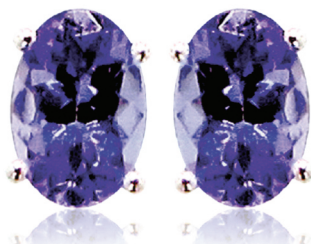
Olympics by more than five meters in a then-Olympic record 51.1 seconds. He also helped the US 4x400 relay claim 1948 Olympic gold.

Craig, who died in 1972 at age 83, won the 100m at the 1912 Stockholm Olympics in 10.8 seconds to lead an American podium sweep and also won the 200 in 21.7 seconds. He was also a reserve on the US yachting squad at the 1948 Olympics, where he served as US flag bearer.

Burleson, 70, was fifth in the 1,500 at the 1964 Olympics and sixth at the 1960 Olympics.

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